Fund for National Physical Laboratory under UNDP

2125. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact tht the National Physical Laboratory, New Delhi received a lot of money under the UNDP funding for specific target during the last five years; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the objective of the UNDP funding for the project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. R. KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) Yes, Sir. A project entitled 'Establishment of Surface Analytical Facilities' at National Physical Laboratory (NPL), New Delhi was sanctioned by the Department of Economic Affairs and the United Nations Development Programme in September, 1990 for which an amount of US $ 1,241 550|- has been committed by the U.N.D.P.

(b) The objective of the project is to identify processes to check surface degradation of materials used in micro-electronic and high vacuum industries, and of those used for primary mass standards to enhance the product performance and reliability in the context of the tropical climate of the country. This involves establishment of surface analytical facilities by way of commissioning a highly Sophisticated Secondary Iron Mass Spectrometer (SIMS) at NPL, New Delhi and imparting training to R&D personnel from related industries to update their knowledge and equip them to tackle practical barriers in the production process. The SIMS equipment has been procured for installation. The project also involves the preparation of technical reports and maintaining data base for the use by the industry.

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PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

[**The Deputy Chairman** in the Chair]

I. Report and Accounts (1991-92) of the Indian Law Institute, New Delhi and related papers.

II. Notifications of the Ministry of Law Justice and Company Affairs (Department of Company Affairs)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): Madam, I lay on the able—

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:—

(i) Thirty-fifth Annual Report and Accounts of the Indian Law Institute New Delhi for the year 1991-92, together with the Auditors' Report on the Accounts.

(ii) Statement by Government accepting the above Report.

(iii) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the paers mentioned at (i) above.

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II. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Law, Justice and Company Affairs (Department of Company Affairs), under subsection (3) of section 642 of the Companies Act, 1956:—

(i) G.S.R. No. 287, dated the 20th June, 1992, publishing the Cost Accounting Records (Vanaspati) Amendment Rules, 1992.

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